

REMARKS

In reply to the Second Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (copy attached) dated June 13, 2008, Applicants are amending Claims 64, 65, 70, 71 and 74 to delete the term "monomer." However, as stated in the Reply to Restriction Requirement filed on April 19, 2007, Applicants believe that the inventions of Group VII (Claims 64-77), as originally filed, embrace polymerization of monomers and, therefore, the amendments to these claims do not change Applicants election or exclude the original election of these claims. Rather, Applicants are simply narrowing the claims in response to the Examiner's last substantive Office action, dated July 23, 2007, which stated that "Applicant does not teach any and all substituted or unsubstituted phenols."

As explained in Applicants reply to that previous Office action, in an amendment filed on November 9, 2007, Applicants have amended the claims to more clearly define what is encompassed by "substituted or unsubstituted phenols" in view of the fact that the specification provides an enabling disclosure for one skilled in the art to make and/or use Applicants claimed invention as set forth in Claim 64, as amended. Claim 64, as originally filed, embraced polymerization of monomers, and Applicants are simply narrowing the claims in response to the rejection made by the Examiner; Applicants are not excluding the subject matter of the original election, they are only amending the claims to a narrower scope.

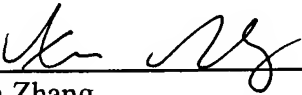
Moreover, Claim 64, as filed, and Claim 93 as filed, which is part of Group 9, are related as sub-combination and combination, respectively. Therefore, Applicants continue to maintain that restriction is improper, as indicated at Section 806.5 (C) of the Manual of Patent of Examining Procedure (MPEP). Applicants had traversed the restriction requirement on April 19, 2007. Regardless, and as stated above, Applicants amendment of the claims has not excluded the original election.

Entry of the amendments made on November 9, 2007, and as amended in this Reply, is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' attorney would expedite prosecution of this application, she is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' attorney at (978) 341-0036.

Although it is believed no fees are due, authorization is granted to charge any fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

Respectfully resubmitted,

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